

# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER SERVICES IN ARIZONA

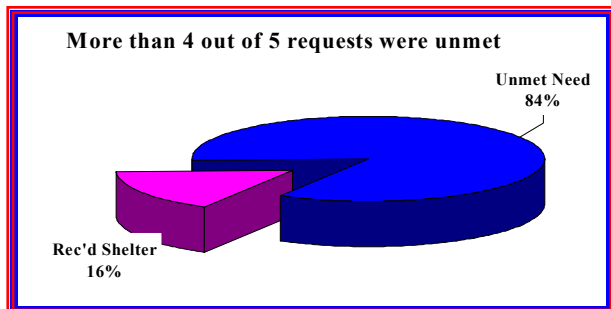
## MARICOPA COUNTY SUMMARY

July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002

As reported by the 9 residential shelters accounting for 301 beds.

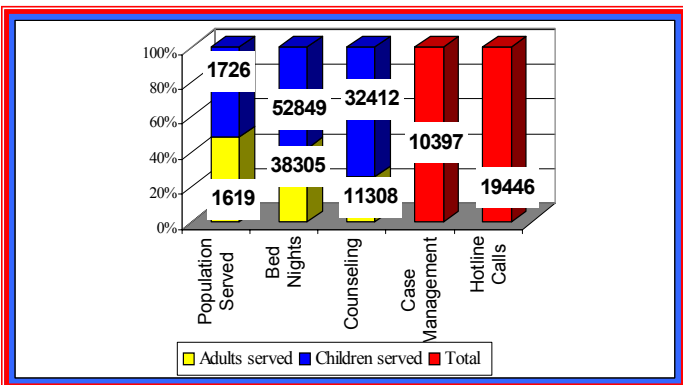
### Requests for Shelter

During the year 20,833 women and children requested shelter, of those 3,345 received shelter. Shelter was unavailable to 17,488 women and children at the time of request.



### Shelter Services

Emergency shelter is provided through permanent shelters, safe home networks and motels. Staff and volunteers responded to 19,446 calls for emergency shelter and information and referral. In addition, CONTACS, a centralized hotline in Maricopa County received 6,155 calls.



Emergency shelter and supportive services were provided to 3,345 women and children who received – 91,154 nights of safety in emergency shelter, 43,720 hours of individual and group advocacy and education and 10,397 hours of case management.

### Unmet Need for Service

Shelters reported that the two top unmet needs for the victims were affordable housing and transportation. Financial assistance and legal services, also represented a high proportion of need.

### System Intervention

Shelters reported that: 1,884 victims indicated that a report had been made to law enforcement during one of the domestic violence incidents.

- 125 victims and 1,243 perpetrators had been arrested during an incident.
- 799 of the victims had obtained an Order of Protection or Injunction Against Harassment.
- 1,257 of the victims reported that at some point they had sought emergency medical intervention as a result of the violence or discussed domestic violence with a medical professional.

### Demographics

#### Age of Primary Client and Children

0-2	3-5	6-12	13-17	18-29	30-44	45-59	60+
13.4%	11.8%	17.6%	3.8%	20%	27.3%	5.8%	0.3%

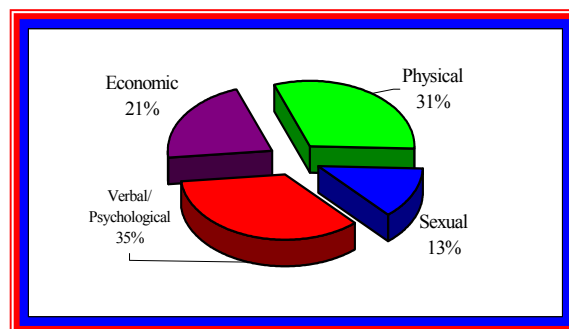
#### Income Status

75% reported an average annual income of \$6,000 or below. 88% reported \$14,000 or below.

#### Ethnicity

White	40.6%	Hispanic	36.7%
Black	14.3%	Asian	1.0%
Native American	4.8%	Mixed	2.6%

### Type of abuse experienced by primary client



### Outcome Status

Average length of stay in shelter is 23.6 days.

Upon exit from the shelter, 65% remained in a safe environment, 39% set up their own household or moved in with relatives or friends, 23% moved on to other shelter programs, and in 3.1% of the households the batterer moved out. 9.1% returned to the previous situation. The status was unknown for 25.8%.